

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Project Seasonal Career Scientific Technician 1 – Adult Fish Counter (Approximately March to October) \$12.14 – \$15.66 hourly Range: 30

Recruitment # 1282-09 Opens: December 7, 2009 Closes: December 15, 2009

This recruitment will be used to fill one project permanent career seasonal position at the John Day Dam.

Job Summary

Under a contract with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, adult fish counting technicians count and record the migration of specific target fishes passing Hydroelectric Projects. This information is disseminated among the resource agencies through the Adult Fish Passage Reporting system maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Principal activities include:

- Following prescribed procedures to identify and record the passage of target fish
- Accurately and legibly recording specific biological data for target fish on proper electronic or written forms
- Performing calculations using basic arithmetic to provide accurate summaries
- Interacting with COE personnel and other agency personnel during data collection to provide basic information regarding fish passage and fish condition
- Appropriately operating equipment used to collect data

Working Conditions

The duty stations are located at remote hydroelectric dams. Fish counters generally work alternating shifts alone in small office-like settings with little direct supervision. You must be willing and able to work long and irregular hours and perform physically and mentally repetitive work. You must be willing and able to perform in a punctual, dependable, and safe manner. You must also have the ability to walk up to 1/2 mile in inclement weather on slippery surfaces and climb steep stairs. Access to restrooms is limited to a ten-minute period once per hour. The ability to pass a federal background check in order to maintain employment with the program is a requirement.

Competencies. Well qualified applicants will demonstrate:

- Ability to quickly learn to identify each group of salmonids and other target fish; visually discriminate when identifying and distinguishing biological and physical features of fish
- Ability to follow oral and written directions
- Accuracy in adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing numbers using adding machines or calculators
- Ability to use a basic computer program and critical thinking to collect, record, compile, and summarize data
- Ability to complete required administrative paperwork in an accurate and timely manner
- Ability to safely manipulate gates and locks under all weather conditions to access the duty station
- Ability to work effectively alone with limited direct supervision

Required qualifications: A high school Diploma or GED and ability to pass a federal background check in order to maintain employment with the program.

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How to apply

This recruitment will close on December 15, 2009.

Submit a <u>completed and signed state job application</u> showing how you meet the competencies and qualifications for this recruitment. The state application form is available at: http://wdfw.wa.gov/employment/

Submit your application to:

Margaret Gordon, Recruitment Specialist Human Resource Office, Department of Fish and Wildlife, 600 Capitol Way North, Olympia, WA 98501-1091

Fax (360) 902-2392

Or deliver in person to the Human Resources Office in the Natural Resource Building, (attention Margaret Gordon) 5th Floor, 1111 Washington St. SE, Olympia, WA.,

Or by e-mail to: Wdfwjobs@dfw.wa.gov

If you submit by e-mail, you must sign and scan the job application to a version that can be transmitted by e-mail

Unsigned applications will not be accepted.

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